

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A crawler frame for a construction machine, comprising:

a center frame; and

right and left track frames disposed on right and left sides 5 of the center frame, respectively, so as to extend in a back and forth direction of the crawler frame;

wherein the center frame comprises a central frame section and cast steel legs for connecting the central frame section to the track frames; [,] and

10 wherein top faces of the cast steel legs are formed from cast steel are convex in cross-section, and the top faces face upward away from a surface on which the construction machine is supported.

2. (Currently Amended) The crawler frame for a construction machine according to claim 1, wherein the legs of the center frame have a tubular shape. and top faces of the legs are convex in cross-section, and wherein the top faces face upward away from a surface on which the construction machine is supported.

3. (Previously Presented) The crawler frame for a construction machine according to claim 1, wherein the legs of

the center frame have a cylindrical pipe shape and are circular in cross-section.

4. (Previously Presented) The crawler frame for a construction machine according to claim 1, wherein a joint flange section joined to the central frame section is provided at an inner end of each leg, and a joint flange section joined to one of the track frames is provided at an outer end of each leg.

5. (Previously Presented) The crawler frame for a construction machine according to claim 4, wherein at least one of: (i) joint surfaces of the central frame section and the joint flange section at the inner end of each leg , and (ii) joint surfaces of the joint flange section at the outer end of each leg and the corresponding track frame are flat faces.

6. (Previously Presented) The crawler frame for a construction machine according to claim 4, wherein each of the legs gently widens from the inner end to the outer end thereof.

7. (Previously Presented) The crawler frame for a construction machine according to claim 2, wherein a joint flange section joined to the central frame section is provided at

an inner end of each leg, and a joint flange section joined to
5 one of the track frames is provided at an outer end of each leg.

8. (Previously Presented) The crawler frame for a construction machine according to claim 3, wherein a joint flange section joined to the central frame section is provided at an inner end of each leg, and a joint flange section joined to one of the track frames is provided at an outer end of each leg.